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Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.56, and §§1.97 and 1.98 as amended, Applicant cites, describes and provides copies of the following art references. Under 37 C.F.R. §1.98(a)(2) however, copies of U.S. patent reference(s) are not provided.

- 1. Canadian Patent No. 2125094 to Willy Leu, entitled *METHOD AND APPARATUS*FOR CONNECTING THE SHEETS OF A MULTI-SHEET PRINTED PRODUCT,
 issued on August 30, 2005;
- 2. U.S. Patent No. 5,634,758 to Leu, entitled *PROCESS AND APPARATUS FOR THE ADHESIVE CONNECTION OF THE SHEETS OF A MULTI-SHEET FOLDED PRINTED PRODUCT*, issued on June 3, 1997; 11/02/2005 JADDO1 00000124 10700769
- 3. U.S. Patent No. 5,590,828 to Stauber, enfitled 18MPPARATUS FOR THE OP WIRE-STAPLING OF PRINTED PRODUCTS, issued on January 7, 1997;
- 4. U.S. Patent No. 5,098,002 to Hänsch et al., entitled STAPLING APPARATUS, issued

- on March 24, 1992; and
- 5. U.S. Patent No. 3,951,399 to Reist, entitled ARTICLE-HANDLING APPARATUS, issued on April 20, 1976.

Leu '094 relates to a method and apparatus for connecting the sheets of a multi-sheet printed products such as magazines, brochures and the like, wherein the sheets are adhesively connected together point-wise by the introduction of an adhesive into perforations formed in them. During this, the adhesive applied to the outer side of the penetration and drilling needles is transferred onto the sheets over the whole length of the perforations simultaneously with the formation of the perforations by means of these needles and/or on retraction of the needles.

Leu '758 relates to a multi-sheet, folded printed product arranged on the supporting member, which is penetrated by a penetration tool, from the direction of a supporting member. A pressure-exerting element acts on the printed product with a lateral compressive force. This results in a widening of the through-passage produced through the printed product. Upon withdrawal into the rest position of the penetration tool, adhesive present on the surface of the penetration tool is transferred onto the sheets in the through-passage. Once the lateral compressive force has been eliminated, the through-passage closes, which results in good distribution of the adhesive and reliable adhesive bonding.

Stauber '828 relates to a retaining device of a wire-section dispenser which has a tongue-like first retaining element and a second retaining element which form boundaries for a gap. The second retaining element can be moved out of a rest position into a clamping position, which narrows the gap, and back again. When the second retaining element is located in the rest position, a stapling wire is advanced into the gap and then fixedly clamped by displacing the second retaining element into the clamping position. A cutting element, which severs the continuous stapling wire into wire sections, is synchronously moved with the second retaining element. The staple guide of a stapling

head engages with its carry-along member, the wire section and moves it in the direction of rotation, overcoming the retaining force in doing so.

Hänsch et al. '002 relates to a stapling apparatus which includes a shaft which is swivelably mounted on a supporting part of a stapling head. The stamp is seated rotationally firmly on the shaft. For the purpose of accepting a wire section from a wire section dispenser, the shaft can be swiveled clockwise by 180.degree. from its staple placing position. The wire section accepted by the stamp is formed into a staple on a slotted link. The lateral arms of the staple are guided in grooves of the stamp arms. In the staple placing position, the staple is ejected from the stamp by means of a ram.

Reist '399 pertains to an apparatus for handling articles, e.g. newspapers or magazines, having a rotatable member divided into a number of axially-adjacent units. Each unit is divided into a number of radially-extending compartments having feeding devices for transferring articles fed to the compartments of one unit to the compartments of the adjacent unit where additional articles, e.g. inserts, may be added.

The citation of the foregoing references is not intended to constitute an assertion that other or more relevant art does not exist. Accordingly, the Examiner is requested to make a wide-ranging and thorough search of the relevant art.

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